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Historic Nomination

Obama taps Sonia Sotomayor to be first Hispanic justice on high court



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Proposition 8 protesters embrace on Tuesday.

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FIRST CHOICE: President Obama announces federal appeals court judge Sonia Sotomayor, right, as his nominee for the Supreme Court Tuesday. Sotomayor would be the first Hispanic to sit on the high court.

WASHINGTON | Reaching for history, President Obama on Tuesday chose federal appeals judge Sonia Sotomayor to be the first Hispanic justice on the Supreme Court, championing her as a compassionate, seasoned jurist whose against-the-odds life journey affirms the American dream.

Republicans who will decide whether to make a fight of her confirmation said they want thorough hearings. However, defeating Sotomayor would be difficult in the heavily Democratic Senate, and even a major effort to block her confirmation could be risky for a party still reeling from last year's elections.

Obama beamed as he introduced Sotomayor, 54, as a judge who displays both an impressive mind and heart, a jurist who takes on cases with "an understanding of how the world works and how ordinary people live." He raved about her credentials, saying she would start on the job with more experience on the bench than any of the current nine justices had when they began.

Sotomayor would join Ruth Bader Ginsburg as the second woman on the court and just the third in its history. She would replace liberal Justice David Souter, thereby maintaining the court's ideological divide. (AP)

"What Sonia will bring to the court is not only the knowledge acquired over ... a brilliant legal career, but the wisdom accumulated from an inspiring life's journey."

— PRESIDENT OBAMA

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BUSINESS PLANS

Topless Laundromat, Pharmacy in Works

Vassalboro, Maine, prosecutors will review a complaint that a waitress from a Maine topless doughnut shop was outside the business Saturday without a shirt on. It's unclear whether nudity outside the cafe is prohibited. Vassalboro considered banning nudity after the shop opened in February, but officials now are proposing to regulate where, when and how such businesses may operate. (AP)



CONCEPTS

Record Set for Best Example of Irony

The man who holds the Guinness world record for most lawsuits filed has filed a lawsuit against the book's publisher. According to ABC News, Jonathan Lee Riches, aka "Johnny Sue-nami," says Guinness got the number of lawsuits he's filed wrong (they said 5,500; he says 4,000). Riches is incarcerated in the Federal Medical Center in Lexington, Ky. (EXPRESS)



ADORABLE OR SCARY?

Just Too Cue for Words

A Johnstown, N.Y., toddler still in diapers has gained a reputation as a pool shark with a mean bank shot. Two-year-old Keith O'Dell Jr. has pool shooting videos posted on YouTube and his own Web site (Pool-prodigy.com), and is the youngest member of the American Pool Association. His parents say his learning hasn't been limited to billiard games: Pool is also teaching him colors and how to count. (AP)



CARDBOARD

Bandannas, Black Pantyhose Too Girly

Police in Lincoln, Neb., are looking for a man who stole cigarettes while disguising himself with a beer carton. The man walked into a Kwik Shop convenience store before dawn Monday wearing an empty Bud Light box on his head as a mask. Officials say the man also had wrapped something around one of his hands, suggesting he was armed, but he never showed a weapon. The bandit left with nine packs of smokes. Police did not respond to calls seeking additional details Tuesday. (AP)

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"[The] desire to slash the tires came from him getting braces in the late 1990s."

— A BOULDER, COLO., POLICE SPOKESWOMAN, CITING A REASON GIVEN BY ALEXANDER KABELIS FOR SLASHING 46 TIRES SINCE APRIL 24. HE ALSO BLAMED RADIATION POISONING AND HIS MOTHER.

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Judge Tough to Pin Down

Sotomayor fits liberal mold, but her rulings don't fit one ideology

WASHINGTON | In more than 16 years as a federal judge, Sonia Sotomayor has often sided with people claiming discrimination in education and employment. She's backed police and prosecutors over defendants. She's upheld assertions of free speech and religion.

Not easily pigeonholed, Sotomayor has also been part of rulings that go the other way.

In general, her rulings as a trial judge for six years and then as an appeals court judge since 1998 are in line with the liberal-leaning views of Justice David Souter, the man President Obama has nominated her to replace.

Sotomayor's record indicates that her confirmation would not seriously alter the balance of power on a court that often splits along conservative and liberal lines on



PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor has been a federal judge for more than 16 years. Her professional career will be under heavy scrutiny in the days to come.

social issues.

Among the most contentious of those issues is abortion, but Sotomayor has not been part of any major rulings on abortion rights. In 2002, she wrote an opinion

ruling against an abortion rights group that had challenged a government policy prohibiting foreign organizations receiving U.S. funds from performing or supporting abortions.

ABOUT SONIA SOTOMAYOR

CHILDHOOD: The daughter of immigrant parents from Puerto Rico, she was born and raised in the South Bronx in New York. She was diagnosed with diabetes at age 8.

CAREER: A graduate of Princeton University (**SHOWN RIGHT** from her college days)



and Yale Law School, Sotomayor spent five years as a prosecutor in New York County. She was appointed to the bench in 1992 by President George H.W. Bush.

ETHNICITY: She has spoken about her pride in her ethnic background and has said that personal experiences "affect the facts that judges choose to see."

In her opinion on the so-called "gag rule," Sotomayor wrote that the government was free to favor the anti-abortion position when public funds were involved.

The most controversial civil

rights lawsuit of her time as a judge concerns the race discrimination claims of white firefighters in New Haven, Conn., a case the Supreme Court will decide in the next month.

In a one-paragraph opinion, she and two other judges on the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York upheld a lower court ruling dismissing the firefighters' claims. The case turns on promotion exams that the city threw out on the grounds that too few minorities scored high enough to be promoted.

In many other discrimination cases, Sotomayor has sided with plaintiffs, including a black elementary school student who claimed his demotion from first grade to kindergarten was racial discrimination. Sotomayor, in a 1999 dissent, said that white children in similar situations received help, while the black child was not given an "equal chance."

She has also favored claims brought by disabled people, those alleging age discrimination and women who said they were in hostile work environments.

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Calif. Court Upholds Prop. 8

Same-sex marriages already on the books are allowed to stand

SAN FRANCISCO | California's Supreme Court upheld the state's gay marriage ban Tuesday but said the 18,000 same-sex weddings that took place before the prohibition passed are still valid — a ruling decried by gay rights activists as a hollow victory.

Demonstrators outside the court booed, wept and yelled, "Shame on you!" Activists said they would go back to the voters in a bid to repeal the ban.

In a 6-1 decision written by



TONY AVELAR/AP

Jacob Rogers Sperber protests the California State Supreme Court ruling.

Chief Justice Ron George, the court rejected arguments that the ban approved by the voters last fall was such a fundamental change in the California Constitu-

tion that it first needed the Legislature's approval.


As for the thousands of couples who tied the knot last year in the five months that gay marriage was legal in California, the court said it is well-established principle that an amendment is not retroactive unless it is clear that the voters intended it to be, and that was not the case with Proposition 8.

While gay rights advocates accused the court of failing to protect a minority group from the will of the majority, the justices said that the state's governing framework gives voters almost unfettered ability to change the California Constitution. LISA LEFF (AP)

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O.J. Simpson is currently serving a sentence of nine to 33 years in prison.

LAS VEGAS

O.J. Simpson Appeals His Conviction in Robbery Case

O.J. Simpson is appealing to the Nevada Supreme Court to overturn his conviction on armed robbery and kidnapping charges. The former football star and actor is asking the high court to throw out his conviction on grounds that include judicial misconduct, insufficient evidence, a lack of racial diversity on the jury, and errors in sentencing and jury instructions. (AP)

WEST HAVERSTRAW, N.Y.

Animal Breeder Convicted Of Running 'Zoo From Hell'

A farm-animal breeder was convicted Tuesday of animal cruelty, running what a prosecutor called "the zoo from hell," with animals officials said were kept in filthy conditions. A jury convicted Robert Everle of all 13 charges of torturing, injuring and starving animals. The animals included ducks, chickens, guinea hens, rabbits, sheep, dogs and cats. (AP)

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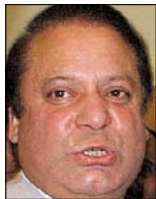
Parents Will Allow Boy To Undergo Chemotherapy

The parents of a boy who refused chemotherapy for his cancer have told a judge they now agree to the medical treatment, and the judge says the boy can stay with them. Daniel Hauser, 13, has Hodgkin's lymphoma. He and his mother left the state to avoid chemo. Colleen and Anthony Hauser now say they understand their son needs chemotherapy for his condition. (AP)

In Brief

ISLAMABAD
Court Allows Opposition
Leader Back Into Politics

Pakistan's top court on Tuesday lifted a ban on popular opposition leader Nawaz Sharif's contesting elections, paving the way for his return to parliament and removing the first major barrier to his becoming prime minister for a third time. Sharif is key to the hopes of Pakistan's Western allies that its moderate political parties will unite to fight the Islamic extremists who are destabilizing the country. (AP)



Sharif

VIENNA
Candidates for IAEA Post
Avoid Mention of N. Korea

Five candidates bidding for the leadership of the International Atomic Energy Agency laid out their visions of what the U.N. organization's role should be Tuesday at a meeting overshadowed by North Korea's announcement of a nuclear bomb test. The test was an indirect reminder of the agency's limits in enforcing nonproliferation. Yet all candidates for IAEA director general — three from Europe, one Japanese and a South African — avoided mention of North Korea. (AP)

N. Korea To 'Pay' for Nuclear Acts

Pyongyang reportedly tests 2 missiles; U.N. debates new sanctions

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA | North Korea lashed out Tuesday at the United States and reportedly launched two more short-range missiles even as U.N. Security Council members debated possible new sanctions against the communist nation for its latest nuclear test.

North Korea test-fired two short-range missiles from the east coast city of Hamhung, according to South Korea's Yonhap news agency. South Korea's spy chief said two other missiles were launched Monday, and North Korea warned ships to stay away from waters off its west coast through Wednesday, suggesting more test flights.

The missile launches came as leaders around the world condemned North Korea for Monday's underground nuclear test. Retaliatory options were limited, however, and no one was talking publicly about military action.

Russian defense officials said the blast was roughly as strong as the bombs dropped on the Japa-



Visitors in Paju, South Korea, stand near a map showing locations of North Korea's missiles at an observation post near the border of North Korea Tuesday.

nese towns of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in World War II, and was stronger than North Korea's first test in 2006.

In New York, U.N. diplomats said key nations were discussing a Security Council resolution that could include new sanctions against North Korea.

Ambassadors from the five permanent veto-wielding council members — the United States, Russia, China, Britain and France — and Japan and South Korea

were expected to meet later Tuesday, the diplomats said.

The Security Council met in an emergency session Monday and condemned the nuclear test. Council members said they would follow up with a new legally binding resolution.

France's deputy U.N. ambassador Jean-Pierre Lacroix said his government wants a resolution to "include new sanctions ... because this behavior must have a cost and a price to pay." ERIC TALMADGE (AP)

MISSILE TEST FALLOUT

Gordon Flake, the executive director of the Mansfield Foundation, a nonprofit that promotes U.S.-Asia ties, discussed North Korea's nuclear test on [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com) Tuesday.

SIGNIFICANCE

“I don't view the North Korean nuclear test as a cry for attention or as a call for negotiations.”

—IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER THE TEST WAS AN ATTEMPT TO GAIN ATTENTION. FLAKE SAID THE TEST SHOWS NORTH KOREA “CLEARLY DECIDED TO GO DOWN THE NUCLEAR PATH.”

INTENDED AUDIENCE

“Everyone is thinking about a power transition, but in that society, few can openly discuss it ... The strength of the regime demonstrated by the test ... provides a better environment for potential announcements.”

—ON WHETHER THE TEST WAS MEANT FOR A NORTH KOREAN AUDIENCE, DUE TO KIM JONG IL'S FAILING HEALTH.

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THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT, in millions of dollars, Americans sent to Jamaica last year to claim winnings in a lottery that doesn't exist. The U.S. and Jamaica plan to announce Wednesday the creation of a task force dedicated to breaking up cross-border schemes that prey on the impulses of victims who are often elderly. Some Americans have lost their life savings in Jamaica's lottery scams. (AP)

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Suu Kyi Defends Herself in Court

Myanmar opposition leader says she didn't violate house arrest

YANGON, MYANMAR | Opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, under house arrest since 2003, insisted in court Tuesday that she did not violate the law by sheltering an uninformed American at her home.

The icon of Myanmar's democracy movement looked pale and



Suu Kyi

weak as she answered judges' question for less than half an hour, giving terse replies about this month's incident that could lead to her being sent

to prison for five years.

Spectators sitting about 40 feet from Suu Kyi had to strain to hear her voice over the buzz of fans in

the stuffy courtroom. The gist of the session became known to the spectators only when the judge dictated it to a court recorder.

The charge that Suu Kyi, 63, violated the terms of her detention is widely considered a pretext to keep her detained ahead of elections the military government has planned for next year. She pleaded not guilty Friday.

Suu Kyi's side does not contest the basic facts: She acknowledges

that she allowed John W. Yettaw, 53, to stay at her home for two days after he swam across a lake to enter her house uninvited and then said he was too tired and ill to leave immediately.

Suu Kyi, through her lawyers, has said that this does not mean she violated a ban on receiving visitors, because it was security forces' duty to keep intruders away.

Suu Kyi is not expected to testify again during the trial. (AP)

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A resident walks through the flooded village of Minakhan, India, on Tuesday.

Cyclone Aila Kills 115 in South Asia

CALCUTTA, INDIA | Cyclone Aila lashed low-lying areas in eastern India and Bangladesh, destroying thousands of homes, stranding tens of thousands of people in flooded villages and killing at least 115 before it began to ease Tuesday.

Conservationists expressed concern over the fate of one of the world's largest tiger populations, which was in the path of the storm. (AP)

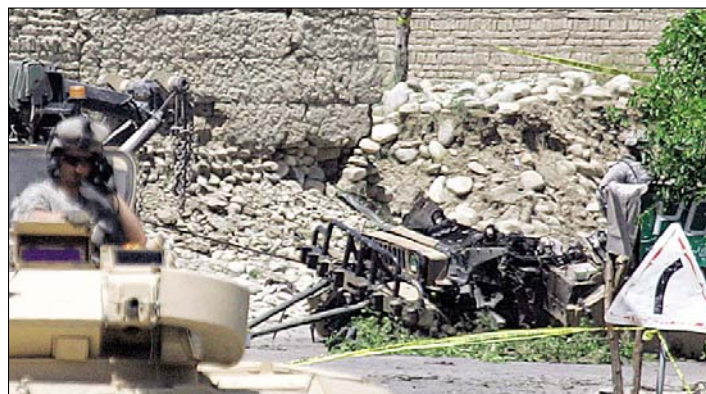
Afghan Attack Kills 3 U.S. Troops

Suicide bomber rams vehicle into military convoy in the north

PUL-E-SAYAD, AFGHANISTAN | Shortly before he rammed his vehicle into an American military convoy, the young bearded suicide bomber waved at Sayed Najibullah to move away. As Najibullah sped off, a huge explosion ripped through a U.S. armored vehicle, killing three American troops and three Afghan civilians.

But Najibullah lived to tell the story.

Tuesday's attack in the northern Kapisa province comes after



An American soldier patrols near a damaged Humvee at the site of a suicide blast that killed three U.S. troops and three Afghans in Kapisa, Afghanistan, Tuesday.

warnings from U.S. military officials that more suicide attacks can be expected as thousands of new

troops join the fight this year.

Najibullah, 22, was riding a motorbike on a tree-lined road

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The percentage increase in the number of attacks on U.S. troops in the first four months of 2009 compared with the same period last year.

outside a bazaar in Pul-e-Sayad when he saw the attacker in a white car speeding in the opposite direction.

"He slowed down, looked at me ... and told me to get away fast," Najibullah said.

Then, the blast occurred.

Three U.S. troops died, said Tech. Sgt. Chuck Marsh, a U.S. military spokesman. The troops served with NATO's International Security Assistance Force.

AMIR SHAH (AP)



GULP Heart of the Matter Canada's governor general ate a slaughtered seal's raw heart in a show of support for the country's seal hunters, a display that a European Union spokeswoman on Tuesday called "too bizarre to acknowledge." Gov. General Michaëlle Jean, the representative of Britain's Queen Elizabeth II as Canada's head of state, gutted the seal and swallowed a slice of the mammal's organ late Monday in the wake of an EU vote earlier this month to impose a ban on seal products on grounds that the seal hunt is cruel. (AP)

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Storm system creates driving challenges, flooding in region

Heavy rain and thunderstorms flooded streets, downed trees and slicked pavement across the Washington region Monday night and Tuesday morning, complicating driving conditions as residents returned to work after the holiday weekend.

Route 110 in Arlington County was impassable under the Memorial Bridge for a period of time because of high water, officials said. A downed tree affected traffic on the southbound George Washing-



A truck passes a water marker on Old Courthouse Road in Vienna, Va., Tuesday. Heavy rain flooded streets Monday night and Tuesday morning in the D.C. region.

ton Memorial Parkway Tuesday morning, and more flooding closed Governor Bridge Road in Anne Arundel County near the Prince George's County line, authorities said. Sligo Creek Parkway off Colesville Road in Silver Spring was also closed due to flooding.

Three people in the District were rescued by firefighters in inflatable boats early Monday morning after their cars stalled in a flood that at its peak was 4 to 5 feet deep. State and local authorities reported numerous fender benders and minor collisions but no significant injuries.

DEBBI WILGOREN AND NELSON HERNANDEZ (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Fenty Apologizes For Letting Friend Drive City Vehicle

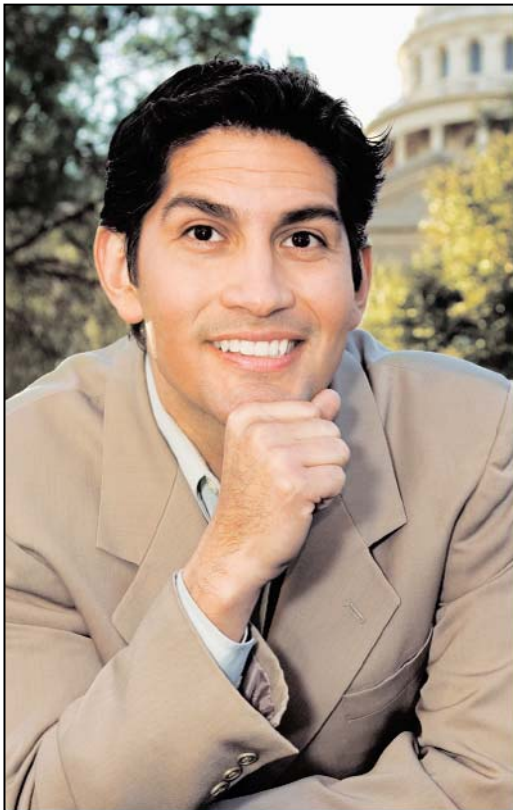
WASHINGTON | D.C. Mayor Adrian M. Fenty said he used poor judgment when he allowed his friend to drive a city-owned Lincoln Navigator. "I'm not going to do that anymore," he told reporters Tuesday. "No more letting anyone else drive."

"I made a bad decision," he said.

Fenty said officials are debating the legality of his permitting 46-year-old Keith Lomax to drive the SUV.

"Nonetheless, it shouldn't have happened and won't happen again."

NIKITA STEWART (THE WASHINGTON POST)



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NO SHAME: While riding Metro from Petworth to Fort Totten on May 20, above, Jane Sheehan and her service dog encountered passengers who wouldn't give up their seats to her. ❖ **Hypocrite haven:** Riders often scold tourists for disobeying basic Metro rules, such as standing to the right on escalators, but even seasoned commuters have a lot to learn about etiquette. | **Today's Metro**

Holiday Least Deadly in 10 Years

RICHMOND, VA. | Authorities say the number of traffic fatalities on Virginia's highways over Memorial Day weekend was the lowest in at least a decade.

As of noon Monday, Virginia State Police say five people had died in five crashes over the weekend. Last year, 18 people died in

14 crashes in the same period — the highest toll in 10 years.

In the last decade, an average of 13 people died each Memorial Day weekend.

Four of the five people killed over the weekend were not wearing safety belts. Alcohol was a factor in at least one of the fatal

crashes.

State Police responded to 653 crashes statewide. They also cited more than 10,000 speeders and 3,000 reckless drivers, arrested 175 impaired drivers, and issued more than 1,000 safety belt and 340 child safety seat violations. (AP)

The Lotteries

Tuesday, May 26

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Mid-day Lucky Numbers	6-8-6
Evening Lucky Numbers (Sun.)	8-5-3
Mid-day DC 4	5-6-5-2
Evening DC 4 (Sun.)	7-1-0-1

Rolling Cash Five (Sun.)	6-14-24-26-35
Daily 6 (Sun.)	3-8-16-20-31-36 (9)

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	0-4-2
Evening Pick 3 (Sun.)	9-2-1
Mid-day Pick 4	3-5-1-9
Evening Pick 4 (Sun.)	6-2-9-5
Match 5 (Sun.)	1-7-8-23-30 (19)

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3	7-7-2
Evening Pick 3 (Sun.)	1-2-4
Mid-day Pick 4	4-1-1-1
Evening Pick 4 (Sun.)	6-3-9-4
Mid-day Cash 5 (Sun.)	2-9-16-26-33
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Money



Gary Lody picks up building materials last week at a Home Depot in Little Rock, Ark. Consumer confidence rose in May to the highest level since last September.

Consumers See Better Days Ahead

Confidence index
soars as anticipation
of turnaround grows

NEW YORK | Even with unemployment still rising and home prices still slumping, Americans are getting their confidence back in the economy.

A widely watched barometer of confidence unexpectedly rose to the highest level since September, buoyed by an unexpected surge in the stock market, hopes that the job market might turn around and the belief that the worst of the recession is behind us.

But don't expect shoppers to buy expensive jeans and fancy furniture anytime soon.

"Consumers are not likely to spend just because they think things will get better," said Mark Vitner, senior economist at Wachovia. "They will actually have to see

HOW IT'S TALLIED

→ Consumer confidence is determined by a mail survey of a representative sample of 5,000 U.S. households. The most recent data were collected in a survey taken from May 1 to May 19.

them get better."

As a testament to the economy's challenges, a closely monitored housing index also released Tuesday showed home prices fell at the sharpest rate ever in the first quarter, though the drop-off was worse at the beginning of the quarter.

Still, the Conference Board's Consumer Confidence Index's 14.1-point surge to 54.9 is encouraging. Economists surveyed by Thomson Reuters were expecting 42.3. In February, confidence levels had hit a new historic low of 25.3.

ANNE D'INNOCENZIO (AP)

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THE PERCENTAGE OF economists who predict the recession will end sometime this year, says a survey released Wednesday by the National Association for Business Economics. (AP)

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High Court to Rule on Vioxx Suits

Merck shareholders want to sue company over failed pain drug

WASHINGTON | The U.S. Supreme Court will decide whether shareholders can sue Merck & Co. over whether the drugmaker provided adequate information about the risks of its former blockbuster painkiller Vioxx before it was pulled from the market.

The high court agreed Tuesday to review Merck's challenge to a federal appeals court's reinstatement of a class-action securities lawsuit.

Investors had accused Merck of providing misleading information or omitting information about the risks of Vioxx. The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decided to allow the lawsuits, and Merck appealed to the Supreme Court.

Vioxx was pulled from the mar-



Merck & Co.'s blockbuster drug Vioxx was pulled from shelves Sept. 30, 2004.

ket on Sept. 30, 2004, because it doubled the risks of heart attack, stroke and death.

After it pulled Vioxx from the market, Merck was hit with a deluge of lawsuits. The company is currently making payments to patients and survivors under a \$4.85 billion settlement that ended lawsuits on behalf of the roughly 50,000 patients who claimed Vioxx harmed them.

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In the West, a Friendly Rivalry

Anthony, Bryant have a ball playing against each other

NBA PLAYOFFS | Kobe Bryant loves defending his kindred spirit, Carmelo Anthony, on and off the basketball court.

The Los Angeles Lakers' superstar who became fast friends with the Denver Nuggets' powerful playmaker during the Beijing Olympics bristled at the trendy notion that 'Melo has morphed into a star in this year's playoffs.

Sure, he's averaging 28 points and has made countless clutch plays after five-straight years of frustrating first-round exits, but



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THE SERIES

Bryant swears 'Melo, the butt of so many jokes in China, has had this type of talent in him all along.

Bryant said it was just a matter of putting the right players around Anthony.

"He worked hard. He was committed to playing defense. We all knew he could score the ball. I never saw him as being a problem at all," Bryant said. "And now everybody's talking about this miraculous transformation. There's no damn transformation. He's been doing it since Syracuse."

Just not this deep into the NBA postseason.

Kobe sees a lot of himself in 'Melo.

"He and I are probably the only ones in the league now who have that mid-range game down pat in terms of shooting pull-up jump-



Kobe Bryant says he sees a lot of himself on Carmelo Anthony. At last, Anthony is enjoying the same type of playoff success.

HEAD TO HEAD: KOBE VS. CARMELO				
PLAYERS	GAME 1	GAME 2	GAME 3	GAME 4
KOBE	40 pts 6 rebs 4 assists	32 pts 5 rebs 3 assists	41 pts 6 rebs 5 assists	37 pts 7 rebs 5 assists
CARMELO	39 pts 6 rebs 4 assists	34 pts 9 rebs 4 assists	21 pts 5 rebs 5 assists	15 pts 3 rebs 5 assists
OVERALL STATS:	K. Bryant: 36.8 points, 6.0 rebounds, 4.3 assists		C. Anthony: 27.3 points, 5.8 rebounds, 4.0 assists	

shots, 1-2 dribble pull-ups going both ways," Bryant suggested. "Then, he can post up the ball and he has a long ball, too."

It's made for a great matchup when they go against each other.

Through all the pushing and poking, bumping and banging, flapping and flopping, the two never seem to stop smiling.

Anthony and Bryant hit it off last year while leading Team USA to the gold medal at the Beijing Olympics.

"Yeah, that's my man," Bryant said. "We just get along extremely well. He's just a good kid, works extremely hard, funny as hell. Our personalities match. It's a shame that we're playing each other in this series; somebody's got to lose.

I'd rather it be him than me, but he's just a great person."

'Melo was the butt of all the jokes last summer.

When the Nuggets traded Marcus Camby in a salary dump and let fellow defensive stud Eduardo Najera leave in free agency, his Olympic teammates were relentless in their jabs.

Anthony, himself the subject of trade rumors last summer, was a good sport about it.

"I was the joke of the summer, man," 'Melo said. "In a good way, with everybody laughing. But I was kind of the joke of the summer — and I'm still going."

He's hoping to get the last laugh on Kobe. ARNIE STAPLETON (AP)

 **East finals:** Game 4 of the Cavaliers-Magic series ended after Express' deadline. For a full recap, visit | washingtonpost.com/sports

In Brief

NFL Brady Practices With Pats For First Time Since Injury

Tom Brady practiced with the New England Patriots for the first time Tuesday since suffering a season-ending knee injury in last year's opening game. Roughly half the team took part in the voluntary sessions. Brady threw passes and did other activities during his first formal practice with the club. Despite undergoing surgery on Oct. 6 and a subsequent operation for an infection in the knee, there have been signs that he will be ready for the season opener. (AP)



Brady

OKLAHOMA CITY Athletes Fall Sick After Participating in Triathlon

About 20 athletes have become sick after participating in a triathlon earlier this month that included a swim in the Oklahoma River, which has had problems with fecal coliform pollution. Oklahoma State Department of Health spokeswoman Leslea Bennett-Webb said Tuesday it is too early to determine the cause of the illness. (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

NBA PLAYOFFS (9 P.M. ON ESPN) After their 19-point blowout victory at home, the Nuggets head back to L.A. to face the Lakers in the conference finals.

NHL PLAYOFFS (7:30 P.M. ON VERSUS) Leading 3-1 in the conference finals, the Detroit Red Wings hope to celebrate against the Chicago Blackhawks.

SOCCER (2:25 P.M. ON ESPN) Cristiano Ronaldo and Manchester United face Lionel Messi and Barcelona in the UEFA Championship.

BASEBALL (7:10 P.M. ON MASN) The Nats hope to pick up a rare victory against Mets pitcher Johan Sanatana, who boasts a stingy 1.50 ERA.



MMA Canseco KO'd Jose Canseco didn't last long in his mixed martial arts debut. The former Oakland A's slugger was defeated by South Korean super heavyweight Hong Man Choi by a knockout just one minute, 17 seconds into the first round at Yokohama Arena. The referee stopped the fight when the 7-foot-2, 330-pound Choi knocked Canseco to the mat and started punching his head. Canseco came into the arena with a baseball bat on his shoulder. The way things turned out, he probably should have kept the bat. (AP)

Russian League Courts Fedorov

Forward awaits offer from Capitals before deciding on his future

CAPITALS | Sergei Fedorov's future with the Washington Capitals remained as unclear as ever Tuesday, hours after a published report in Russia said the veteran was close to signing a contract in the Kontinental Hockey League.

Fedorov's agent, Pat Brisson, said he has had preliminary discussions with the Capitals about a contract extension, but also acknowledged that it's possible his 39-year-old client will sign with another National Hockey League

team or leave the league altogether. Fedorov becomes an unrestricted free agent on July 1.

On Monday night, Sport-Express of Moscow reported that Fedorov had agreed to sign with the KHL's Metallurg Magnitogorsk. The deal, according to the report, is for \$3.8 million per season over two seasons.

Brisson stopped short of dismissing the Sport-Express report but said Fedorov has assured him he has not agreed to a contract with any team. Fedorov is scheduled to return to his homeland later this week and expects to speak to a number of teams, Brisson said.

In the meantime, Brisson said,



Sergei Fedorov's agent denied a rumor that he is close to signing in Russia.

he'll continue to pursue an extension with Washington, though he has not had any direct talks with General Manager George McPhee.

"Sergei has a lot of options in the KHL, but we'll still continue to talk to the Washington Capitals," Brisson said by phone from his Los Angeles office. "I'm not sure right now whether Sergei will play for the Capitals or in Russia. He doesn't want to put a timetable on his decision."

Given his age and decline in production, it's believed Washington is interested in re-signing him only to a one-year contract for considerably less than last season. **TARIK EL-BASHIR** (THE WASHINGTON POST)

One-Handed Center Granted D-I Scholarship

BASKETBALL | A basketball player missing his left hand has received a scholarship to play for Division I Manhattan College next season.

Kevin Laue is a 6-foot-10 center whose left arm ends just past the elbow. A California native, he played a postgraduate season for Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia this year hoping to impress college coaches. Laue averaged about 10 points and five rebounds competing against many Division I prospects.

Fork Union coach Fletcher Arritt says Laue's shot-blocking skills and speed will make him effective. (AP)

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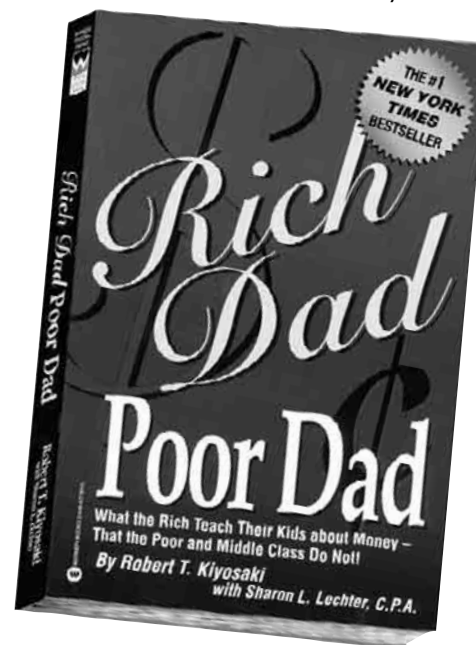
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Sports

Trouble With Tampering

Titans face an uphill battle to prove case against the Redskins

REDSKINS | With the NFL investigating whether the Redskins violated anti-tampering rules during their courtship of free agent defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth, it makes sense to provide a little primer on the process.

Tampering charges usually are alleged by one team against another. While the Tennessee Titans, Haynesworth's former team, went to some lengths a few weeks back to state they had not formally filed tampering charges against the



The Titans are crying foul over the speed of Albert Haynesworth's signing.

CAUGHT RED-HANDED

Past tampering penalties:

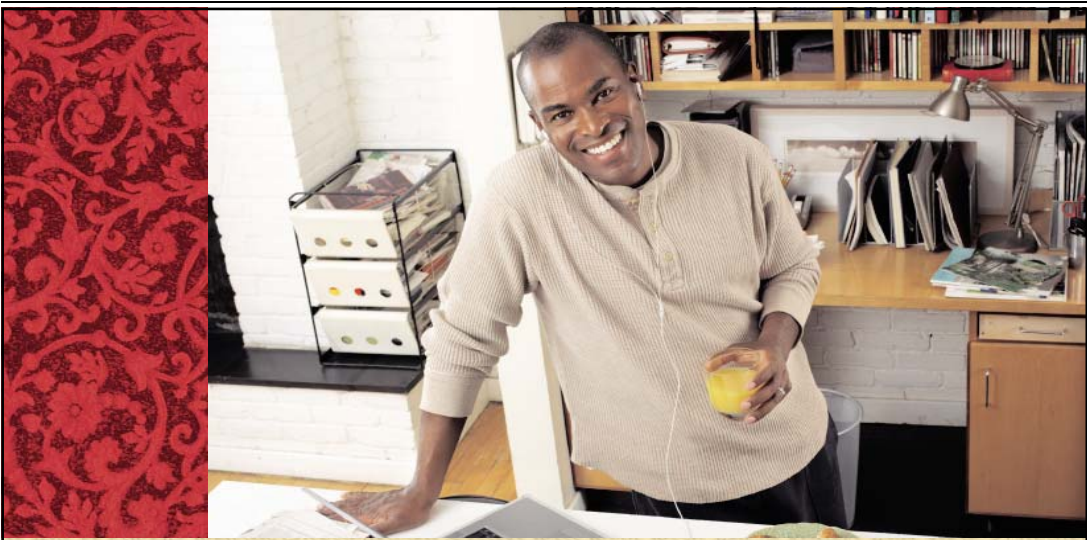
- A year ago, the San Francisco 49ers were stripped of a fifth-round pick for tampering with Chicago linebacker Lance Briggs — and Briggs never even signed with the 49ers. It was the first tampering case penalized in 13 years.
- Others accused of tampering included the Minnesota Vikings, who tried to lure Brett Favre in 2008, and the Jets' Bill Parcells pursuing Drew Bledsoe in 1998.

Redskins, when they turned over what they believed to be evidence of tampering to the NFL offices,

they had in essence asked the NFL to investigate the incident, and that is what is occurring now. The standard of proof is high but not impossible to meet.

Much will be made about the dinner between Redskins officials and Chad Speck, Haynesworth's agent, at the NFL combine, before the start of free agency. Many factors — such as the speed with which the Redskins and Speck completed a record-breaking, \$100 million deal hours into the official start of free agency — will also be weighed.

The league will conduct a discreet investigation. In the end it will be Commissioner Roger Goodell's call and, it may be the last on tampering, as owners are considering altering the landscape around free agency. JASON LA CANFORA (THE WASHINGTON POST)



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Serena Survives 1st-Round Scare At French Open

TENNIS | Serena Williams struggled to close her match at a windy French Open on Tuesday, wasting eight match points before finally beating Klara Zakopalova of the Czech Republic 6-3, 6-7 (5), 6-4.



Williams

The second-seeded Williams was broken twice during the second set, including when she was serving for the match at 5-4. At 5-3 with Zakopalova serving, she had five match points but couldn't end it.

Williams completed her Serena Slam at the French in 2002, winning her fourth-straight Grand Slam title. If she wins this year, she'll have won three majors in a row after victories at the U.S. Open and the Australian Open. She reached the Wimbledon final last year but lost to her big sister, Venus, in the final.

Third-seeded Jelena Jankovic and No. 7 Svetlana Kuznetsova also advanced among the women. (AP)

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In the Words of Chuck

**'Fight Club' author
Palahniuk talks about
his new book and his
work in progress**

Q&A | Everybody just knew Chuck Palahniuk was a murderer.

The author spent some time working in a soup kitchen years ago but didn't bother to tell anyone who he was. It wasn't long before the theories started floating back to the author of "Fight Club," giving him the germ that would become his latest best-seller, "Pygmy."

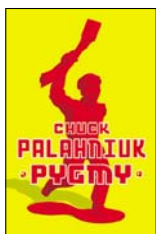
"All the other people in this homeless soup kitchen thought that I was some sort of murderer and was having to do community service work," he says. "So, that was kind of the birth of 'Pygmy.'"

"Pygmy" is the story of a group of teen operatives from an unnamed totalitarian country who pose as foreign exchange students to pull off a clandestine attack dubbed "Operation Havoc."

The unsparing novel centers on an agent quickly dubbed "Pygmy" because of his slight frame and is written in broken English.

Was "Pygmy" as challenging to write as it is to read?

I think the further you get into it, it will be like me writing it — it will get easier and easier. Your mind



LIFE LESSON: A personal experience with harsh judgement gave Palahniuk the inspiration for his new work, "Pygmy."

will start to recognize the logic and the patterns of what seems to be a kind of scrambled language but has its own very definite rules and consistencies.

What did you do before you wrote full time?

I worked three years on the assembly line in Portland [Ore.] building Freightliner trucks, and I got a job after that writing recall instructions.

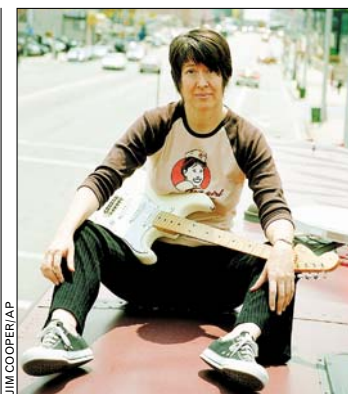
Do you get tired of talking about "Fight Club" or having all your books compared to it?

"I think the further you get into it, it will be like me writing it — it will get easier and easier."

"Fight Club" kind of got me out of Freightliner, so I will always be happy for "Fight Club." It's gravy after that.

What are you working on now?
There's a book for next year called "Tell-All." I'd gone to these publish-

ing dinners last summer [where] these publishing dinosaurs were complaining about how when they'd been really young, they'd been asked to do all this seemingly useless research about what time a train would arrive in Berlin in the 1930s, and they later found that everything they had researched was used by Lillian Hellman in her biography. ... She was the James Frey of her generation. And so I thought to write an entire 20th-century history in which Lillian Hellman was the pivotal historical figure in every major historical event. CHRIS TALBOTT (AP)



She looks more befuddled than shocked.

A Little Stale and Too Late

Michelle Shocked's message is outdated, as is her musical style

MUSIC | Michelle Shocked's timing is off, and for a musician, that's not good. A year ago, her impassioned swipes at the Bush administration could have provided a soundtrack for the Obama campaign, but in 2009 they sound outdated. Also moldy is Shocked's channeling of Pat Benatar, Joan Jett and Blondie.

Still, "Soul of My Soul" has its moments, mostly at the beginning. The lone soul song is the appealing "Liquid Prayer." The best Bush-bashing is the breakup ballad "Other People," built on a lovely melody.

But Shocked serves up strident screeds elsewhere, including a contender for the year's worst verse on the tropical-flavored "Pompeii": "Won't someone tell me what belies the fate of a broken democratic state, with all this corporate compromise entwined in orgiastic lies?" Everybody sing! STEVEN WINE (AP)

REALITY 'Housewives' Close to Home Bravo announced Monday that it's developing "The Real Housewives of D.C." According to Frances Berwick, executive vice president and general manager of Bravo Media, "We're tapping personalities who are among D.C.'s influential players, cultural connoisseurs, fashion sophisticates and philanthropic leaders — the people who rub elbows with the most prominent people in the country and easily move in the city's diverse political and social circles." (EXPRESS)



Play the Game of Life

The newest version of 'Sims' focuses on creating people with complex personalities

COMPUTER GAME | Maybe it's neat, childish, lucky, ambitious and insane — it just depends on which traits gamers choose for their neighborhood of virtual playthings in "The Sims 3," Electronic Arts and Maxis' popular life-simulating game for the PC and Mac.

Executive producer Ben Bell said it will focus more on social behavior than ever before.

"The Sims 3" is a huge step forward for us," Bell said. "You can create incredibly detailed people who have real personalities that

you get to design using a feature we call personality traits. By combining words, you can create a new kind of a person that has totally different desires in life, and then you get to go fulfill their destiny in the game."

Unlike previous editions in the series, every character will live his or her lives simultaneously in the fictional town of Sunset Valley.

Bell said "The Sims 3," available June 3, will also feature a moviemaking tool and more options for players to customize their Sims' homes, furnishings and clothes. Gamers can even turn their Sims into kleptomaniacs.

"A Sim who has this trait is going to have wishes in life to steal things from other people,"



A family discussion takes place in "The Sims 3," the life-simulating game from EA.

Bell said. "They also have the ability to sneak into a friend's house, walk into a room where nobody happens to be hanging out and maybe swipe something. One of the fun things I've seen people on the team do is build up a whole household of stolen things."

In perhaps a case of life imitating art, a pirated copy of "The Sims 3" has already been leaked on several file-sharing Web sites two weeks before the game's launch.

EA said the pirated version "is a buggy, pre-final" version of the game.

"It's not the full game. Half of the world — an entire second city — is missing," said spokeswoman Holly Rockwood in a statement.

Electronic Arts has announced it is publishing "The Sims 3" without restrictive anti-piracy software known as DRM, a form of copy protection that requires online authentication.

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ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1110 1205 1240 105 145 305 340 405 520) 610 635 710 820 910 940 1015 1115
STAR TREK (PG-13) (430 PM) 700 PM 930 PM
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (1130 135 220 430 510) 720 810 1020 1055
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (1125 210 450) 735 1010
NEXT DAY AIR (R) - ID REQ'D (100 350) 605 850 1105
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (1140 AM 150 PM 410 PM)
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1245 PM) 930 PM
EARTH (G) (1230 PM)

ROYALE STADIUM 14

5505 America Blvd Hyattsville, MD 301-854-3455
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
RW & DA: NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1245 310 535) 800 1025
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1215 115 240 345 505) 645 730 925 955
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (1235 245 455) 715 1000
RW: TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1240 320) 710 950
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1210 110 250 350 530) 640 810 920
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1200 1230 100 300 400) 635 705 735 940 1005
NEXT DAY AIR (R) - ID REQ'D (430 PM) 700 PM 930 PM
STAR TREK (PG-13) (1225 1255 315 355) 655 720 945 1020
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (1205 235 510) 740 1010
OBSESSED (PG-13) (330 PM) 1035 PM

BETHESDA 10

1717 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 559#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1115 1220 140 250 430 520) 710 750 940 1020
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1130 120 450) 730 1010
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1100 1200 100 200 300 400 500) 630 700 800 1000
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (1110 110 200 400 450) 650 740 940 1030
RW: TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1120 150 430) 720 950
STAR TREK (PG-13) (1130 AM) 930 PM
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (740 PM) 1015 PM
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (200 445) 715 950
OBSESSED (PG-13) (440 PM) 930 PM
HANNAH MONTANA: THE MOVIE (G) (150 PM) 415 PM
STATE OF PLAY (PG-13) (640 PM) 930 PM
BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (115 320) 600 815 1015
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (100 130 215 330 415 500) 615 700 745 900 950 1030
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (145 230 345 430 515) 630 715 800 1000 1030
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (100 200 300) 615 700 800 920 950
NEXT DAY AIR (R) - ID REQ'D (120 PM) 915 PM
STAR TREK (PG-13) (740 PM) 1015 PM
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (140 335 445) 645 815 940
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (200 445) 715 950
OBSESSED (PG-13) (440 PM) 930 PM
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (225 PM 450 PM)

GALLERY PLACE STADIUM 14

701 Seventh St NW 800-FANDANGO 1721#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1130 1230 200) 330 440 610 730 910 1000
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1145 1245 130 240) 400 450 620 715 745 930 1010 1050
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (1215 300) 530 810 1030
OC: ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1220 PM) 715 PM
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1135 100 140 250) 350 520 600 640 900 940 1020
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) 750 PM 1045 PM
NEXT DAY AIR (R) - ID REQ'D (420 PM) 950 PM
STAR TREK (PG-13) (1140 1240 245) 340 545 650 920 1025
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (1155 230) 510 800 1035
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1150 AM)
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (215 PM 500 PM)

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12

6/1 N Glebe Rd 800-FANDANGO 377#
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1210 1245 130 245 325 400 445) 600 640 715 800 915 955 1025
STAR TREK (PG-13) (1225 105 230 310 350 430 555) 620 700 740 850 930 1010
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (115 420) 730 1020
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (220 455) 750 1030
EARTH (G) (200 410) 630 900
STATE OF PLAY (PG-13) (1240 355) 710 1015

POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16

3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1145 1255 135 315 350 430) 600 640 720 850 930 1010
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1150 110 150 245 325 405 445 540) 620 700 740 835 915 955 1035
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (1220 300 530) 800 1015
OC: ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (200 PM) 830 PM
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1200 100 315 415 515) 630 730 945
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (1240 120 340 420) 710 750 1025
NEXT DAY AIR (R) - ID REQ'D (1235 330) 610 900
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (400 PM) 615 PM
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1230 PM)
OBSESSED (PG-13) (115 PM) 830 PM
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (1245 PM 320 PM 550 PM)

KINGSTOWNE STADIUM 16

5910 Kingstowne Towne Center 703-822-4956
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1140 100 145 215 255 325 425 455 530) 605 655 730 800 845 930 1005 1030
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (125 230 405 515) 645 755 945 1035
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (120 345) 635 840
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1210 310) 615 900
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (1145 1225 210 250 335 415 520) 600 720 835 905 935 1025
STAR TREK (PG-13) 705 PM 955 PM
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (1155 150 245 440) 625 735 920 1025
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (1140 220) 540 745 1020
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (155 PM) 715 PM
OBSESSED (PG-13) (1220 PM)
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (1200 PM 225 PM 445 PM)

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20

45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (1155 425) 650 910
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1130 1200 1240)
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (110 150 220 250 330 350 420 500 530) 610 640 710 740 820 900 930 950 1020
OC: ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1140 1220)
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (100 130 210 240 320 400 430 510) 620 700 730 810 840 920 1000 1030
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (1210 200 240 400 445 520) 640 715 750 910 945 1020
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (1210 230 310 550) 635 850 935
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1250 335) 615 915
OBSESSED (PG-13) 720 PM 1005 PM
EARTH (G) (140 PM) 410 PM
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (1135 AM 215 PM 450 PM)

FOX STADIUM 16

22875 Crawford Plz, Ashburn, VA 703-957-1035
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1150 130 230 330 430 530) 630 730 820 920 1030
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (1240 320) 600 830
RW & DA: NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (210 450) 720 1000
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1200 1230 140 220 310 350 440 540) 620 700 800 850 1010
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) 740 PM 1035 PM
STAR TREK (PG-13) (1220 250 340 550) 650 840 950
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (110 420) 710 940
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1250 PM)
OBSESSED (PG-13) 930 PM
17 AGAIN (PG-13) (120 PM)
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (150 PM 500 PM)

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10

4110 W Oke Road 800-FANDANGO 570#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1130)
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (1230 250 520) 750 1020
MANAGEMENT (R) - ID REQ'D (100 340) 650 920
NEXT DAY AIR (R) - ID REQ'D (1140 AM)
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1150 220 450) 720 950
OBSESSED (PG-13) (150 420) 710 940
HANNAH MONTANA: THE MOVIE (G) (1230 330) 640 910
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (1220 240 510) 740 1010

MANASSAS STADIUM 14

11380 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#
Adv. Tix on Sale Up
Adv. Tix on Sale DRAG ME TO HELL
Adv. Tix on Sale LAND OF THE LOST
DANCE FLICK (PG-13) (130 420) 710 920
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM II (PG) ★ (1200 100 200 300 400 500) 600 700 800 900 1000
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG-13) ★ (145 245 345 445 545) 645 745 845 945 1045
ANGELS AND DEMONS (PG-13) (1215 115 215 315 415 515) 615 715 815 1015
STAR TREK - DP (PG-13) (430 PM) 730 PM 1030 PM
STAR TREK (PG-13) (1230 230 330 530) 630 830 930
X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG-13) (1240 310) 610 850
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG-13) (1245 PM)
OBSESSED (PG-13) 915 PM
MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D - SPECIAL EVENT PRICING (PG) ★ (140 PM)

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IMAX NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG) ✓
1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 12:35, 3:50, 7:05, 10:20
DANCE FLICK (PG13) 12:45, 1:30, 3:00, 3:45, 5:15, 6:00, 7:30, 8:15, 9:50

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) 1:00, 2:20, 3:00, 3:40, 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:40, 8:20, 9:10, 10:30

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) ✓ 12:40, 1:20, 2:00, 2:40, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30, 6:30, 7:10, 7:50, 8:30, 9:20, 10:00

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:55, 3:10, 5:10, 6:25, 8:25, 9:45

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:25, 4:30, 7:45

NEXT DAY AIR (R) 1:10, 3:20, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15

STAR TREK (PG13) 12:30, 1:10, 1:50, 3:30, 4:15, 4:45, 6:35, 7:20, 7:55, 9:30, 10:30

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 2:10, 2:55, 5:05, 6:15, 8:10, 9:05

OBSESSED (PG13) 1:05, 4:00, 6:45, 9:25

THE SOLOIST (PG13) 4:05, 10:05

17 AGAIN (PG13) 1:15, 7:15

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8

Courthouse and Birch Rd.

DANCE FLICK (PG13) ✓ 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 8:00, 10:10

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) ✓ 12:00, 1:30, 2:30, 4:00, 5:00, 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:00

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) ✓ 12:10, 1:10, 2:50, 3:50, 5:30, 6:50, 8:10, 9:30, 10:40

THE SOLOIST (PG13) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:50

17 AGAIN (PG13) 12:05, 4:40, 9:40

I LOVE YOU, MAN (R) 12:20, 5:10, 10:20

AMC SELECT

MANAGEMENT (R) 2:20, 7:20

ADVENTURELAND (R) 2:40, 7:40

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14

10300 Patuxent Parkway

IMAX NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG) ✓
1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 2:20, 5:30, 8:40

DANCE FLICK (PG13) ✓ 12:20, 2:50, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) ✓ 12:00, 12:40, 3:20, 5:15, 6:05, 8:00, 8:40, 10:30

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) ✓ 10:30, 12:30, 1:30, 3:30, 4:20, 5:20, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:00, 10:00

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 12:05, 3:10, 6:30, 7:45, 9:40, 10:35

NEXT DAY AIR (R) 12:10 PM

STAR TREK (PG13) 2:10, 5:10, 8:10

STAR TREK (PG13) 1:15, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG13) 12:50, 3:40

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 2:25, 4:55, 7:50, 10:25

OBSESSED (PG13) 3:00, 5:40, 8:20

17 AGAIN (PG13) 2:30

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14

3111 K Street, N.W.

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) ✓ 1:05, 4:20, 7:30, 10:45

DANCE FLICK (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 3:10, 5:25, 7:35, 9:45

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) ✓ 1:15, 2:15, 4:00, 5:00, 6:45, 7:45, 9:30, 10:30

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) ✓ 1:20, 2:20, 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 8:00, 9:50, 10:45

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) ✓ 2:05, 3:25, 5:20, 6:40, 8:30, 9:55

STAR TREK (PG13) 1:10, 2:10, 3:30, 4:15, 5:15, 6:30, 7:15, 8:15, 9:40, 10:25

GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG13) 1:50

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 2:30, 5:05, 7:50, 10:35

STATE OF PLAY (PG13) 4:25, 7:20, 10:20

AMC SELECT

THE BROTHERS BLOOM (PG13) ✓ 1:45, 4:35, 7:25, 10:15

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16

7850 Tysons Corner Center

DIGITAL 3D

MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D (PG) 1:50, 4:10

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

STAR TREK (PG13) 6:30, 9:25

DANCE FLICK (PG13) 12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:35, 9:50

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:25, 4:25, 5:20, 6:05, 7:05, 7:55, 8:45, 9:40, 10:30

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) 12:10, 1:10, 2:10, 3:10, 4:15, 5:05, 6:15, 7:10, 8:05, 9:00, 9:55, 10:45

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 5:00, 6:10, 8:00, 9:15, 11:00

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:00, 4:05, 7:15, 10:20

STAR TREK (PG13) 12:55, 2:15, 4:00, 5:15, 7:20, 8:10, 10:15, 11:00

GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG13) 1:55, 4:55, 7:30

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 1:25, 4:30, 7:00, 9:35

OBSESSED (PG13) 10:10 PM

17 AGAIN (PG13) 3:05, 8:25

STATE OF PLAY (PG13) 12:05, 5:35, 10:50

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12

800 Shopper's Way, Largo

DANCE FLICK (PG13) 1:45, 2:45, 4:15, 5:15, 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:00

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) 1:10, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) 1:05, 2:05, 4:05, 5:05, 7:05, 8:05, 9:45

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:40, 3:45, 4:45, 6:45, 7:45, 9:55

NEXT DAY AIR (R) 12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:25, 9:40

STAR TREK (PG13) 1:20, 3:15, 4:20, 6:15, 7:15, 9:15, 10:15

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 1:25, 4:25, 6:55, 9:25

OBSESSED (PG13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18

2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886

IMAX NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG) ✓
1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 12:55, 4:05, 7:25, 10:30

DANCE FLICK (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 1:35, 2:40, 3:55, 4:55, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30, 9:30

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) ✓ 1:00, 2:20, 3:40, 5:00, 6:20, 7:40, 9:00, 10:20

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) ✓ 12:40, 1:20, 2:00, 3:30, 4:10, 4:50, 6:30, 7:10, 7:50, 9:20, 10:00, 10:30

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:55, 3:10, 5:10, 6:25, 8:25, 9:35

NEXT DAY AIR (R) 12:35, 2:50, 5:15, 7:35, 9:55

STAR TREK (PG13) 12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 8:15, 9:45

STAR TREK (PG13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:25

GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG13) 5:05, 10:25

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 1:45, 4:35, 7:20, 10:10

OBSESSED (PG13) 1:50, 4:25, 7:05, 9:50

17 AGAIN (PG13) 2:30, 7:45

MONSTERS VS. ALIENS (PG) 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 3D NOT AVAILABLE

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LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7

2772 South Randolph

AMC SELECT

MANAGEMENT (R) ✓ 1:10, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00

IS ANYBODY THERE? (PG13) 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:50

TYSON (R) 12:30, 2:50, 5:05, 7:15

EVERY LITTLE STEP (PG13) ✓ 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00

SUGAR (R) 1:35, 4:20, 7:00

SUNSHINE CLEANING (R) 12:35, 2:55, 5:15, 7:45

SIN NOMBRE (R) 12:15, 2:35, 5:00, 7:30

LOEWS UPTOWN 1

3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:05, 10:10

AMC MAZZA GALLERIE

Jenifer and Wisconsin

DANCE FLICK (PG13) 1:10, 3:20, 5:20, 7:50, 10:00
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15
ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 12:40, 4:00, 7:00, 10:10
STAR TREK (PG13) 12:00, 1:30, 3:15, 4:00
GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG13) 2:20, 4:50
STATE OF PLAY (PG13) 7:40, 10:25

LOEWS RIO CINEMAS 18

9811 Washington Boulevard

DIGITAL 3D

MONSTERS VS. ALIENS 3D (PG) 1:50, 4:05

DIGITAL PRESENTATION

STAR TREK (PG13) 6:25, 9:20

DANCE FLICK (PG13) 12:35, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) ✓ 12:30, 1:30, 2:15, 3:15, 4:15, 5:00, 5:50, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:45, 10:30, 11:00

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) ✓ 12:45, 1:45, 2:45, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:15, 10:15, 10:55

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 12:50, 1:50, 4:00, 5:15, 7:10, 8:20, 10:35

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 3:05, 6:20, 9:30

NEXT DAY AIR (R) 10:00 PM

STAR TREK (PG13) 1:10, 2:40, 4:20, 5:40, 7:20, 8:40, 10:20, 11:40

GHOSTS OF GIRLFRIENDS PAST (PG13) 1:55, 4:35, 7:35

X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (PG13) 1:20, 2:55, 4:10, 5:35, 7:05, 8:20, 10:50

OBSESSED (PG13) 4:25, 7:25, 10:05

THE SOLOIST (PG13) 9:50 PM

17 AGAIN (PG13) 1:25

HANNAH MONTANA: THE MOVIE (G) 12:40, 3:10

AMC SELECT

MANAGEMENT (R) 5:45, 8:00, 10:25

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5

North Bethesda

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN (PG) 1:45, 4:15, 7:15

TERMINATOR SALVATION (PG13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:20

ANGELS & DEMONS (PG13) 1:35, 4:35, 7:35

STAR TREK (PG13) 1:50, 4:40, 7:30

STATE OF PLAY (PG13) 1:40, 4:25, 7:25

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You were a huge fan of "Rent," we know, until you saw that crappy touring production or that crappy movie or maybe just until you graduated from high school. This rock-opera update of "La Boheme" follows several self-absorbed characters through the ups and downs of drug abuse, love and AIDS in late-'90s Manhattan. What's different? This production stars original cast hotties Adam Pascal and Anthony Rapp. n.o.

→ Warner Theatre, 513 13th St. NW; 8 p.m., \$40-\$80; 202-783-4000, Warnertheatre.com. (Metro Center)



2 Forks for the Future

As odd as it may be to attend what is basically an art exhibit inside a furniture store, that's nothing compared to the strangeness of the objects you'll see here. "Foodjects," a traveling show straight from Spain, offers a host of newfangled culinary inventions, including a spoon you can write with and another that holds one scent in front of your nose while you taste something entirely different. f.z.

→ Apartment Zero, 406 Seventh St. NW; through June 7, free; 202-628-4067, Apartmentzero.com. (Gallery Place)

Light Fantastic 3

Local playwright Karen Zacarias' new play, "Legacy of Light," tells the story of two female scientists, one living in 18th-century France and one in modern-day New Jersey. Her play weaves themes of love and discovery with a gentle treatise on the difficulties women face in society — no matter the century — when they have to choose between parenthood and career. This wonderful, original play is not to be missed. f.z.

→ Arena Stage in Crystal City, 1800 S. Bell St., Arlington; through June 14, \$25-\$66; 202-488-3300, Arena-stage.org. (Crystal City)



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The National Institute of Mental Health
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www.clinicaltrials.gov



Finishing Touch Event

Construction has started on the **new** Anacostia, Benning and Shaw Libraries.

- Check out new interior finishes
- Vote on new furniture choices

Anacostia Interim Library 1800 Good Hope Road, SE
Monday and Wednesday, June 1 and 3, 5:30 – 6:30 pm
Tuesday and Thursday, June 2 and 4, Noon – 1:00 pm

Benning Interim Library 4101 Benning Road, NE
Monday and Wednesday, June 8 and 10, 5:30 – 6:30 pm
Tuesday and Thursday, June 9 and 11, Noon – 1:00 pm

Watha T. Daniel-Shaw Interim Library 945 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
Monday and Wednesday, June 15 and 17, Noon – 1:00 pm
Tuesday and Thursday, June 16 and 18, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

For more information, contact Martha Saccocio at 202.727.1188 or Martha.Saccocio@dc.gov

television lookout

A Goode Laugh at Yuppies

CARTOON | Cartoonist and director Mike Judge changes the target of his satire from the suburban Texas of "King of the Hill" to the smug affluence of the politically correct college towns in the new animated comedy "The Goode Family" (9 p.m., ABC).

"Goode" follows suburban parents Gerald and Helen Goode as they try to reconcile their modest means with their greener-than-thou neighbors.

While political correctness of hybrid drivers and Whole Foods consumerism is very ripe for satire, "Goode" lacks the heart and the depth of character that made "King of the Hill" work for more than a decade. If Hank and Peggy Hill had merely spouted NRA slogans or bumper stickers, the show



Gerald, Helen, Bliss, Che the dog and Ubuntu are ABC's "Goode Family."

would not have found a large audience. In contrast, these lefty, guilt-ridden Goodes and their neighbors seem more like very thin foils for spoofing a certain scene than fully developed characters.

But leave it to Judge to wring some great observations out of these do-gooders and their self-delusions. Just as "King of the Hill" parodied the culture of the Clinton-Bush years, "Goode" arrives in time to lampoon the pieties of the "Yes, We Can" era. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Public Notice Regarding Section 106 Review of the South Capitol Street Project

The purpose of the South Capitol Street Project is to improve safety, multimodal mobility, and accessibility, and support economic development within the South Capitol Street Environmental Impact Statement project area. As such, the proposed action is expected to transform the existing corridor into an urban gateway to the US Capitol and District of Columbia's Monumental Core.

The Proposed Action could result in adverse effects to historic resources. In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, a meeting with Section 106 Consulting Parties will be held on June 9, 2009, to present the findings and recommendations of the various investigations and obtain input on minimization and mitigation measures specific to historic resources. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

**South Capitol Street
Section 106 Consulting Party Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2009
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
300 M Street, SE
Suite 800
Washington, DC 20003**

300 M Street is located four blocks east of the Navy Yard Metro Station. It is accessible on several Metrobus routes, including the DC Circulator N22, V7, and V9.

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Members of the public are encouraged to provide views on how the project may affect historic resources and ways that these effects may be avoided, minimized, or mitigated. Information on the project and affected historic resources can be found at www.southcapitoileis.com. Comments may be submitted to District of Columbia Department of Transportation or the Federal Highway Administration. Mailed comments should be sent to:

Michael Hicks
Urban Engineer/Environmental Coordinator
Federal Highway Administration
1990 K Street NW, Suite 510
Washington, DC 20006-1103
Michael.Hicks@fhwa.gov

Or Jeffrey Seltzer
Project Manager
District of Columbia
Department of Transportation
64 New York Avenue NE
Washington, DC 20009

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DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

If mailed, comments and requests should be submitted by June 25, 2009.

For more information about the meeting, please contact Jeffrey Seltzer.



Healthy Adult Volunteers Needed

The National Institute of Mental Health is conducting a study of mild stress and memory. Participants will be interviewed and will complete a series of tasks during which physiological functioning will be recorded. Volunteers must:

- Be between the ages of 18-45
- Be medically healthy
- Not be taking medications

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tonight's lineup

YEE-HAW!

The American Academy of Country Music honors **GEORGE STRAIT: ACM ARTIST OF THE DECADE** (8 p.m., CBS), featuring performances of his hits by peers such as Brooks & Dunn and Lee Ann Womack.

SIFT THROUGH THE RUBBLE

Auditions continue on **SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE** (8 p.m., Fox).

IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE

"Great Performances" (8 p.m., PBS) presents **IN THE HEIGHTS: CHASING BROADWAY DREAMS**, a story of largely unknown actors and writers who were determined to put the experiences of their Latino neighborhood on the stage.

CRASH, BURN, CHUCKLE

The summer silly season begins in earnest with the return of the obstacle-course competition **WIPEOUT** (8 p.m., ABC).

NO HELP WANTED

A tycoon evades protection on **THE**



"Wipeout" and its laugh-inducing red balls are back tonight on ABC.

UNUSUALS (10 p.m., ABC).

THE RICH AND FAMOUS

"True Hollywood Story" celebrates its 500th episode with **TRUE HOLLYWOOD STORY: 10 GREATEST STORIES EVER TOLD** (10 p.m., E!), a countdown of the show's most popular sagas. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Insight at the Museum

A St. Louis exhibit displays paintings as they're being restored

EXHIBITS | The paintings on display at the St. Louis Art Museum are not unlike glamorous showgirls — lit just so, positioned just so, poised for public admiration.

But behind the scenes, museum conservators examine the works before they're loaned out, update records on their condition, and clean and protect the pieces en route to the galleries.

The job of paintings conservator



Paul Haner, a paintings conservator at the St. Louis Art Museum, touches up a 15th-century work. The museum will open an exhibit about conservation in June.

“People are either totally unaware of conservation, or it is such a mystery.”

— ERYL WENTWORTH,
AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CONSERVATION
OF HISTORIC AND ARTISTIC WORKS

Paul Haner involves both high-tech equipment and lots of patience.

The conservation department is off-limits to the public, but visitors often voice intrigue at the mix of skill and science that goes into

restoring old treasures.

As a result, the museum will open a temporary exhibit June 10 where a conservator will clean and touch up three 18th-century Hubert Robert works. Visitors will be able to watch the work unfold.

Several American museums have previously restored art in galleries open to the public. Since 2006, the Smithsonian American Art Museum and National Portrait Gallery have let visitors watch preservation work through glass walls. And the Walters Art Museum in Baltimore opened a window to its conservation lab on weekends this year.

The exhibits give visitors a new appreciation for how much attention to detail goes into documenting, storing, cleaning and conserving art treasures. BETSY TAYLOR (AP)



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China Quake Area Opens to Tourists

BEIJING | Sections of streets, schools and bridges destroyed during last year's massive earthquake in southwestern China will soon be open to tourists, state media said.

Ruins from the May 12 quake centered in Sichuan province that left almost 90,000 people dead or

missing have become a draw for visitors, especially during national holidays, the Xinhua News Agency reported.

"There is a huge tourism market in the ruins," Wu Mian, deputy director of the Sichuan provincial tourism department, was quoted as saying. (AP)

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\$995 The deal includes seven nights' accommodations, breakfast daily and some other meals, and guided tours by air-conditioned bus, from \$995 per person — plus \$164 in taxes. The itinerary begins in Rapid City, S.D., and ends in Salt Lake City. Sites along the tour route include Mount Rushmore National Monument, the Crazy Horse Memorial and Yellowstone National Park. **WHEN:** Departs daily June 1–5, Sept. 21–26, 2009; add \$100 for June 6–July 30, Aug. 9–Sept. 20. **DETAILS:** Based on double occupancy. **CONTACT:** 800-227-2826, Caravan.com.

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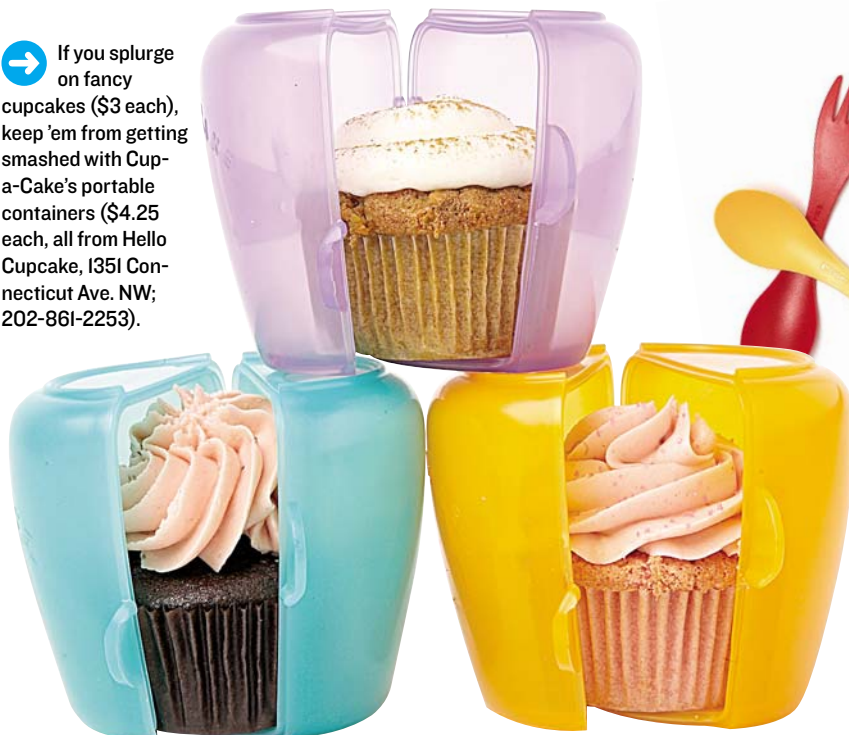
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The Spread Zone

Preparing a proper picnic shouldn't require frilly napkins or fussy extras, nor should it involve plastic tubs of take-out macaroni salad and a Swiss Army knife. Try these handy, hip alfresco aids the next time you dine chez Mother Nature, whether plans call for an outing (like to the National Gallery of Art's Friday night jazz series, which kicked off last week) or just an old-fashioned backyard barbecue. **BETSY LOWTHER (EXPRESS)**

← Peppy striped melamine platters from Jonathan Adler (\$9 and \$12, Tabletop, 1608 20th St. NW; 202-387-7117) can hold dips or deviled eggs without cracking or breaking.

→ If you splurge on fancy cupcakes (\$3 each), keep 'em from getting smashed with Cup-a-Cake's portable containers (\$4.25 each, all from Hello Cupcake, 1351 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-861-2253).



↑ If a spoon-fork combo is called a "spork," is a spoon-fork-knife a "sporkie"? Light My Fire's durable plastic utensils (\$10 for four; Rei.com) work for eating, cutting or defending your blanket spot at Wolf Trap.



↑ Drive the pointed bottom of sleek Steady Stick bottle (\$12) and glass holders (\$10 for two, Crate & Barrel, 2800 Clarendon Blvd.; 703-890-2300) into the ground to keep vino upright and within gulping distance.

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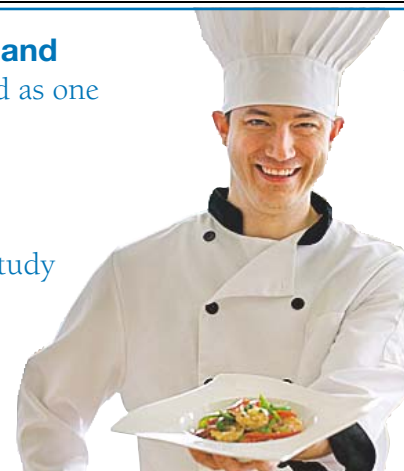
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Poll Center

DO YOU SYMPATHIZE WITH THE GOSSELIN FAMILY OF 'JON & KATE PLUS 8'?

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

NO 72%
YES 28%

"No, I don't sympathize with Jon and Kate. Anyone who has eight kids, then puts them on worldwide TV to acquire fame and fortune for themselves deserves whatever is thrown at them."

COMMENTER NANCY, WHO ADDED, "IT'S THE 'PLUS EIGHT' THAT I SYMPATHIZE WITH. THEY PROBABLY NEVER HAD A SAY IN THIS DECISION WHATSOEVER."

"I have been following the TLC show since it started, and I am in love with the family. I really wish Jon and Kate well, and hope they can get themselves out of this firestorm and repair their relationship."

COMMENTER LISA A., WHO ADDED, "I HOPE THEY ARE ABLE TO GET THROUGH IT TOGETHER FOR THE KIDS' SAKE!"

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"I'M ALMOST HEALED. And I learned my lesson: Don't let yourself get guilted into spending money. And don't wax your upper lip. A little hair is normal. Some may find it sexy. No one thinks a gross red rash is sexy."

COUNTINGMYPENNIES.COM IS NOT SURE ABOUT GOING FOR THE LIP WAXING AFTER GETTING HER EYEBROWS DONE OVER THE WEEKEND.



"A ban on pizza just seems very un-American, but Jim Graham thinks Jumbo Slice is part of Adams Morgan's problems."

DC.CRIMEREPORTING.NET DOESN'T BUY THE D.C. COUNCIL MEMBER'S CLAIM THAT THE POPULAR LATE-NIGHT PIZZA HANGOUT IS A HAVEN FOR VIOLENCE IN THE BAR DISTRICT.



PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

"When the next opening arises, I'd like to see Obama go for a little more religious diversity on the court. How about an atheist or two?"

A COMMENTER AT **TALKLEFT.COM** WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE NOMINATION OF SONIA SOTOMAYOR, RIGHT, AS A SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, BUT ADDS, "WITH HER CONFIRMATION, SIX OF THE NINE JUSTICES WILL BE CATHOLIC."

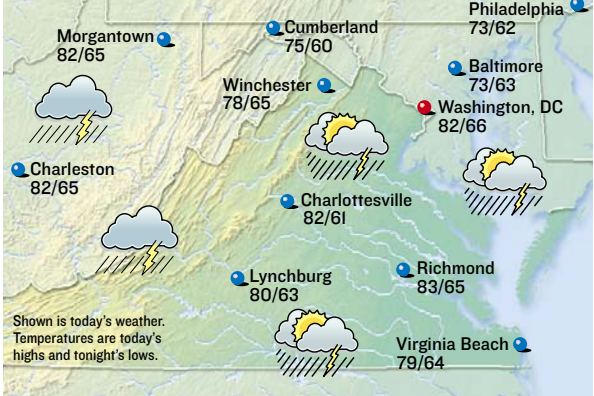
"AN ODD PARADOX arises when one hovers near the 30-week mark of a pregnancy. It seems as if the big day will never arrive, yet the minute you glance at the list of things that need to be done between now and then, it sets off alarms."

BABYBIRD.WORDPRESS.COM IS A BIT WORRIED AHEAD OF GIVING BIRTH.

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today Partly sunny, a thunderstorm 82°	Tonight Considerably cloudy, humid 66°	Thursday Cloudy, showers, thunderstorm 83° / 66°	Friday Partly sunny, a thunderstorm 82° / 63°	Saturday Partly sunny 80° / 60°	Sunday Partly cloudy 76° / 62°
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Regional Weather



Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Tues.

Temperature	
High	72°
Low	58°
Normal high	78°
Normal low	59°
Average humidity	87%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	1.67"
Month to date	6.95"
Normal month to date	3.22"
Year to date	16.17"
Last year to date	22.47"
Normal year to date	15.43"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see:
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Regional Forecast

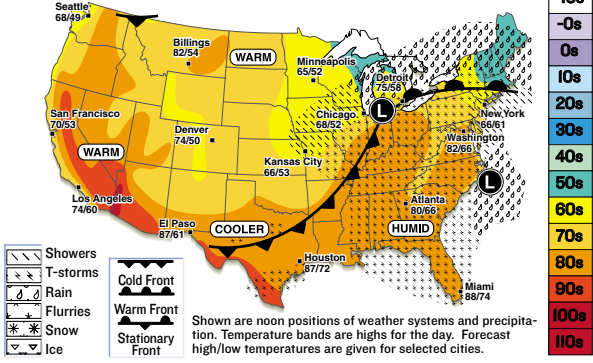
D.C. Metro: Today, partly cloudy, a thunderstorm. High 82. Wind south 7-14 mph. Tonight, considerably cloudy. Low 66. Wind south-southeast 6-12 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	5:47 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:24 p.m.
Moonrise today	8:49 a.m.
Moonset today	11:56 p.m.



National Weather for Wednesday, May 27

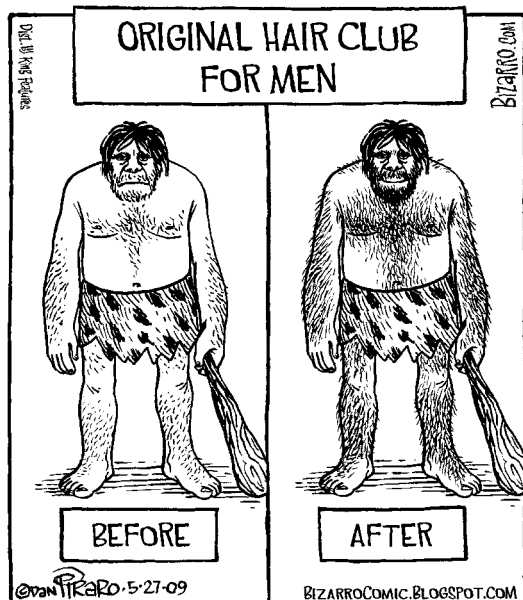


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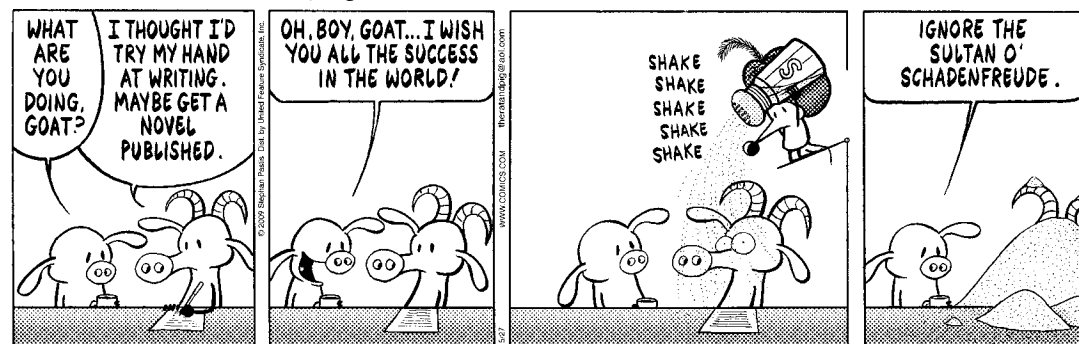
City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	80/66/t	85/65/t
Boston	54/51/r	65/55/t
Chicago	68/52/pc	69/54/c
Dallas	84/63/pc	87/64/pc
Denver	74/50/s	82/52/pc
Honolulu	86/72/pc	86/72/pc
Los Angeles	74/60/pc	76/60/pc
Miami	88/74/t	87/74/t
New York City	66/61/c	76/64/t
Orlando	88/69/t	86/70/t
Seattle	68/49/s	75/51/s

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thur. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	60/45/sh	59/42/pc
Athens	79/63/s	81/66/pc
Berlin	65/50/pc	63/48/pc
Buenos Aires	57/43/s	57/43/s
Calgary	68/42/pc	69/45/pc
Dublin	63/46/sh	66/50/pc
Geneva	71/50/c	71/47/pc
Moscow	73/52/pc	77/54/pc
Rome	80/59/s	81/60/s
Sydney	68/52/sh	66/52/pc
Tokyo	75/62/c	72/64/r

Bizarro | Dan Piraro**Cornered** | Mike Baldwin

Doctors without Boundaries

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan**Pearls Before Swine** | Stephan Pastis**The Duplex** | Glenn McCoy**Horoscope**

By Stella Wilder

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You'll be in a position to demand a little more in the way of equal treatment. You can even up the ante if you're feeling confident.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A new relationship adds a little spice to your daily routine as you learn the ropes and prove yourself more accepting of something surprising.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not be approaching a current problem in a realistic manner. There is a place for creative thinking, but you must be down-to-earth.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It'll take you some time to get started, but once you do, success may well be assured, provided you keep up the momentum.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) What you do for yourself you are also doing for others — whether you know it or not. You are a natural leader who is leading naturally.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) If it's respect you're after, you may have it, but you mustn't be so demanding that you actually turn other people away from you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You're likely to benefit from someone else's poor decision — but the real rewards wait for you in the days to come.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You must take care you're not exploiting an issue that is actually quite painful to some. Be sensitive to the feelings of all.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You're not going to be able to avoid dealing with financial issues. You may feel overwhelmed until you get some valuable advice.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You're waiting for an announcement of your own victory, but you may have to wait longer than expected. Have you done all you can do?

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Looking ahead will afford you a chance to anticipate events and do things that can shape the future more definitively than usual.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may not be as motivated as usual, but even when your energy and enthusiasm are running low, you can still accomplish a great deal.

Today in History

1818 American reformer Amelia Jenks Bloomer, who popularized the garment that bears her name, "bloomers," is born in Homer, N.Y.

1933 Walt Disney's Academy Award-winning animated short "The Three Little Pigs" is first released.

1937 The newly completed Golden Gate Bridge connecting San Francisco and Marin County, Calif., is opened to pedestrian traffic.

1941 Amid rising world tensions, President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaims an "unlimited national emergency."

1999 A U.N. tribunal indicts Slobodan Milosevic for crimes against humanity, holding the Yugoslav president personally responsible for the horrors in Kosovo and brutal purge of ethnic Albanians.



Pedestrians cross the newly opened Golden Gate Bridge on May 27, 1937.

2008 Myanmar's military government renews pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi's detention for one year; officials say international aid workers have finally begun entering the cyclone-devastated delta area after being blocked for more than three weeks by the junta.

lookout people



Her son also objected to her looking like she was gnawing on a black straw.

POSTAGE
St. Audrey's Halo Is in Need of a Good Polishing

A collector stands to profit after discovering a rare stamp portraying **AUDREY HEPBURN** smoking. The initial 2001 print run was destroyed after Hepburn's son, Sean Ferrer, objected to the cigarette holder dangling from the actress' mouth and refused to grant copyright. (AP)

GENETICS
Baby Receives 2 Copies Of the Hotness Gene

Supermodel **ADRIANA LIMA** and NBA star **MARKO JARIC** are expecting their first child, People reported. "[They're] overjoyed ... and are excited to share the happy news and start their family together," said representatives. (EXPRESS)

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SHAMELESS
Way Too Proud a Papa

MEL GIBSON and **OKSANA GRIGORIEVA** are expecting a baby, only six weeks after his wife filed for divorce. Gibson has seven children with his wife, Robyn, but the couple have been separated for almost three years. He confirmed on Monday night's "Tonight Show" that Grigorieva, 39, is pregnant. Teased by Jay Leno about having so many kids, Gibson said, "I guess I'm Octomel now." (AP)

VAGUE,
SOOTHING
Jon and Kate Continue To Talk to Audience Like It's Age 5

The fifth-season series premiere of "Jon & Kate Plus 8" left matters no clearer for the 9.8 million viewers who tuned in Monday. **JON** and **KATE GOSSELIN** spoke separately and did not interact much during their sextuplet's fifth birthday party. After the epi-



"Mommy talked to Us Weekly because she loves you a lot."

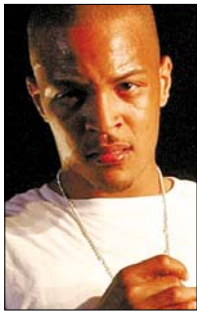
sode aired, the couple released a statement to People: "As many couples do, we are navigating a very difficult time. ... Our current situation brings us together around the children and sometimes sets us apart. We keep our faith that we will make the right decisions for our family." (EXPRESS)



This would be even more tasteless if HER prescription bottles were on sale.

EXPLOITATIVE
The Dead Are Gifts That Keep on Giving

MARILYN MONROE's coffee table and Elvis Presley's prescription bottles are going up for auction. Julien's Auctions will also sell clothing, autographed photos and other memorabilia. The items will be on view at the Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino in Las Vegas before the auction begins June 26. (AP)



NECESSITIES
Tinted Windows, Clock Installed in Cell

Rapper **T.I.** entered an Arkansas federal prison Tuesday to begin a year and a day sentence on a weapon charge. T.I. (real name: Clifford J. Harris Jr.) still made a concert-like entrance at the low-security prison, showing up 29 minutes late inside of a black conversion van with tinted windows. The Atlanta rapper would be known inside by guards as federal prison inmate No. 59458019. (AP)

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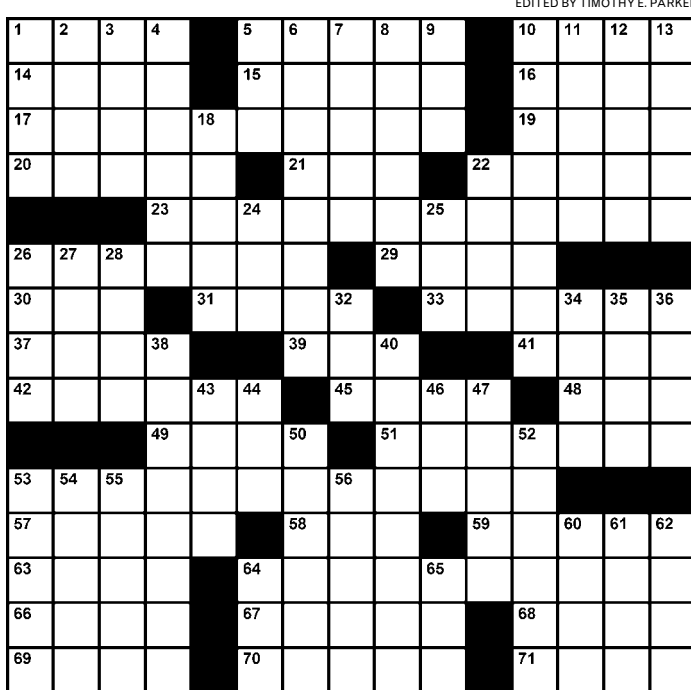
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1 Board member?
5 Alternative to
Midway
10 Use the maxilla
and mandible
14 Bar in the fridge
15 Dynamite inventor
Alfred
16 Have confidence
in (with "on")
17 Inaccurate
19 "Mater" intro
20 A cookout setting
21 Old French coin
22 Bit of land in
the sea
23 Leaving
something to be
desired
26 Ancient Asian
empire
29 Half-off event
30 Dove call
31 Deep urges
33 Lecture
37 Cause of civil
action
39 Beaver barrier
41 "By the ___ token"
42 Car installation
45 What's left at
sea
48 Be sentenced to
49 "in the twinkling
___ eye"
51 Cereal fruit
53 Not able to fulfil
a need
57 "by the ___ early
light"
58 A little grizzly
59 Some diner
employees
63 "Hulk" actor
Bana
64 Lacking the

necessary skills
66 Coyote's go-to
company
67 Women's dress
style
68 A Capri coin,
once
69 Cause for an
insurance claim
70 River features
71 Arranges, as a
dinner table

DOWN

1 Palindromic ship
deck
2 Code word for "A"
3 Warp-crossing
yarn
4 Send word
5 ___-track mind
6 Birthplace,
usually
7 Bead counters?
8 Typical summer
TV fare
9 Moose, in Europe
10 Uninvited
guests
11 "Anybody home?"
12 Wabbit wival
13 Earp of the Wild
West
18 White with age
22 The Emerald ___
24 "Would I ___ to
You?" (Eurhythmics
tune)
25 It may be natural
or noble
26 Circus routines
27 Chimney lining
28 Feeling
yesterday's
exercise
32 Syrup, before
processing

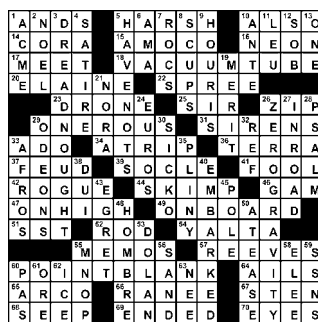


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34 Wise men in a
stable
35 Bad sign
36 Tuna catchers
38 Beats decidedly
40 Stagnant
43 Two from fifty?
44 Stumblebum
46 She played Mrs.
Garrett
47 Add a bit of color
50 Actress Kidman
52 They may be
lined up at the bar
53 "In an ___

world"
54 Antidrug cop
55 Begins a
triathlon
56 Interrupt, as a
dancer
60 Mayberry boy
61 Go-___
(entertaining
wheels)
62 They're married
in Mexico
64 Collar and cuff
65 Zoologist's
foot

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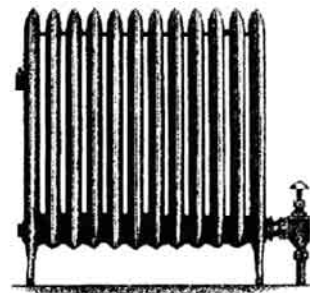
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8	7	1	9	6	5	2	3	4
3	5	6	7	4	2	9	1	8
9	4	8	1	3	6	7	2	5
7	1	2	5	8	9	6	4	3
6	9	7	4	5	3	1	8	2
2	3	5	8	9	1	4	7	6
1	8	4	6	2	7	3	5	9

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